

ANNOUNCING...

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY
2007 MARK AND KANDY FITCH UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH
FELLOWSHIP

Deadline: February 26, 2007

The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences and the Industrial & Physical Pharmacy Department of Purdue University expects to offer the **Mark and Kandy Fitch Summer Research Fellowship** this summer for a student wishing to carry out research with a faculty member in Industrial and Physical Pharmacy. The Fitches are alumni of our School [B.S.(Pharm), 1972] who have generously endowed this fellowship. An undergraduate selected to participate will, by Summer of 2007, typically have completed at least his/her third year of undergraduate study (first professional year of the Pharm. D. or B.S., or junior year of the B.S.P.S.) in the Purdue School of Pharmacy with an excellent record, and will be a person interested in seriously investigating the possibility of a career in research in pharmaceuticals or industrial pharmacy. (*Second-year prepharmacy and B.S.P.S. students will also be considered in exceptional cases.*)

The School is also offering the **Dean's Undergraduate Research Fellowships**. Please download the appropriate form from the School of Pharmacy website. A student may apply for both programs simultaneously, although a student may only hold one fellowship. If you wish to apply for both programs, submit one Dean's Summer Undergraduate Application and write "FITCH" in the upper right-hand corner of your application. You do not need to submit this application separately. You will automatically be considered for both programs.

A stipend of \$3200 plus a \$800 housing allowance will be paid for ten weeks of *full-time* work. The starting and completion dates are negotiable provided that the starting date is no earlier than completion of final examinations for Spring 2006–2007, and the ending date is no later than the start of classes in Fall of 2007–2008. However, there will be a formal seminar during the week of July 30, 2007, in which the Fitch awardee will be expected to participate for all sessions. You may not take classes during the tenure of the fellowship without special permission from both your Professor and Assoc. Dean Loudon.

Although you may receive academic credit for this program if you wish, you must enroll in Summer Session and pay tuition. Most students opt not to receive credit for financial reasons.

The successful candidate for this fellowship will have an outstanding academic record and will have presented evidence of a commitment to scholarship and research over and above the requirements of the curriculum. Students who might want to be considered for this fellowship next year should consider enrolling in undergraduate research for academic credit in the Summer of 2007 or the Fall of 2007–2008 to gain some experience. Dr. Loudon or Prof. Lynne Taylor in IPPH can assist you in finding a faculty mentor.

Please note that this fellowship is intended for students who have a serious interest in research as a possible career (including university faculty positions) and desire an opportunity to explore a research environment in more depth so that an informed career choice will be possible. Students who accept a fellowship appointment are, however, under no formal obligation for choice of a career path.

To apply, a student should complete the form attached and leave it with Janine Mott, Room 112C RHPH, by Monday, February 26, 2007, at 5:00 P.M. The selection will be made by Assoc. Dean Loudon in consultation with the other deans and appropriate IPPH faculty, and will be based on academic record, the student's personal statement, and evidence of motivation toward involvement in research in industrial pharmacy. Although letters of reference are not required, *confidential* letters may be sent to Dr. Loudon under separate cover if desired. Such letters should address your potential for success in research. A brief informal interview may be required.

The Fitch fellowship is financed fully by the Fitch endowment and no matching contribution from faculty is required.

If you have further questions, please contact Dr. Loudon at 4-1462 or *marc.loudon.1@purdue.edu*.

**APPLICATION FOR THE MARK AND KANDY FITCH
SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP**

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(Please submit this page and required attachments only.)

Name_____ **E-Mail**_____

Campus Address_____ **Campus Telephone**_____

Program (check one): B. S.(Pharm.) B.S.P.S. Pharm. D. Other (describe)

Curriculum Year completed in Summer 2007 (2nd, 3rd, etc.)_____

(**Note:** This means “year in college.” Thus, 1st professional year = 3rd year.)

Cumulative GPA_____ **Do you intend to apply to medical school? (Yes or No)**_____

Transcript. Please attach a transcript of your college work. *Copies or printouts of your on-line transcript are acceptable.*

Personal Statement. Please attach a statement that addresses the following:

1. Why is this fellowship is attractive to you? How might it bear on your choice of a career?
2. Provide any evidence you can that shows your interest in research, particularly research in Pharmaceuticals or Industrial Pharmacy. If you have had previous research experience, indicate the professor or person with whom you worked and, if they are not at Purdue, their affiliation. Describe briefly your previous research experience.
3. Indicate any other unusual evidence of scholarly interest, such as special projects, undergraduate TA positions, etc.

Letters of Reference. Although letters of reference are *not* necessary, you may solicit up to two of these from anyone qualified to assess your qualifications for this program and have these letters submitted confidentially to Dr. Loudon under separate cover. A letter from a person who served as your research mentor would be particularly welcome.

Interest Areas. If you were to be selected for this program, in which professor’s laboratory would you wish to work?

Have you discussed your interest and the possibility of summer work with him or her?

Student Agreement. I certify that the above statements are true. I further certify that if I am selected for this program, I agree to participate in the seminar during the week of July 30 and to provide a brief written progress report of my work as requested prior to the second week of the Fall 2007–2008 semester. I also agree to meet with Mark and Kandy Fitch during a weekend during the academic year to be arranged by the Director of Development’s office.
